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1. RELEASE OF MISSION 4011 BEING HELD UP BECAUSE IT WAS FOUND THAT COVERAGE WAS ACHIEVED OF AN AREA

THIS OCCURRED AS A RESULT OF NEED FOR GROUND TRUTH

DATA ON U. S. FACILITIES BY SAC TO EVALUATE JUST HOW MUCH CAN BE SEEN FROM SATELLITE RECCEE. THE SAC TARGETS WERE RECEIVED BY THE OPERATORS ON IBM CARDS, PUT INTO THE COMPUTER AND THE TARGETS SELECTED BASED ON THE PROPOSED ORBIT.

2. WE FELT THAT THIS MIGHT POSE A PROBLEM AS THIS WOULD SHOW ON PLOT MAPS IN FRONT OF HARD COPY OAK REPORTS, ON PLOTS, ON THE MCP, IN THE EPHEMERIS ETC. AFTER THOROUGH CONSIDERATION OF THIS PROBLEM WE HAVE COME TO CONCLUSION THAT [REDACTED] WOULD PROBABLY NOT REALLY BE DISTURBED BY THIS FACT AS LONG AS IT WERE ADMITTED. TO REMOVE THIS PASS FROM ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED [REDACTED] WOULD PROVE TO BE A SIZEABLE UNDERTAKING AND IT WOULD BE READILY APPARENT FROM EPHEMERIS OR ORBITAL DATA THAT [REDACTED]

3. THEREFORE, SUGGEST YOU APPROACH THE PROPER PEOPLE TO ASCERTAIN IF THERE IS ANY PROBLEM AND PROVIDE US WITH YOUR APPRAISAL OF THIS MATTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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